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DEAD IN THE DEBRIS

DEPARTMENT STORE AT ALBANY, N. Y., COLLAPSES.

Over One Hundred Men, Women and Children Are Carried Down in the Wreck and Between Twenty and Thirty Meet Death.

Albany, N. Y., Aug. 9.—The middle section of the big department store of the John G. Myers company, in North Pearl street, collapsed, carrying down with it over 100 persons. Caught in a chaos of brick, plaster and wooden beams, between twenty and thirty men, women and children met death. Twelve hours' frantic work on the part of an army of rescuers disentangled fifty people, six of them dead, and many of the rest badly injured. Three bodies are in sight, but many hours' work will be required to get them out. Anything like a complete list of the killed and injured will be unobtainable until the workers have made their way to the very bottom of the mass of wreckage. With few exceptions those caught in the ruins were employes, a majority of them girls.

The collapse occurred shortly after the opening hour, when barely a score of shoppers were in the store. The best account of the event that probably caused the ruin is given by the head of the crockery department, which occupied the basement.

"The workmen were sawing at a wooden floor beam," said he, "which runs under the northern end of the central pillars in the middle of the store. Excavation for the cellar was going on about the base of this pillar and I believe that jarring of the beam beneath it displaced the foundation of the pillar. The first thing I knew two of the counters near the place where the men were working began to sag, and several pieces of glassware slid off onto the floor with a crash. I yelled to my clerks to run for the front of the store. The words were not out of my mouth when there came a creaking and everything around us began to fall. The wreck came slowly, however, and I think everyone in my department escaped, as well as the workmen."

The pillars which gave way supported the ends of two giant girders, and when it fell the main support of the central part of the building was gone. With a noise that could be heard blocks away and which shook the adjoining buildings, nearly half the great structure, from cellar to roof, and extending from one side wall to the other, came grinding down. When the fire department arrived they had plenty to do in rescuing those who were pinned under the top wreckage. The volunteer rescuers and firemen continued the work until exhausted, when their places were taken by a wrecking force, numbering 300 men, from the railroads. These delved in the ruins all night, but the work of rescue proceeded slowly. It was estimated that nearly fifty persons still remained in the ruins, and that not more than half of these could survive the weight pressing on them. Fortunately the wreck did not catch fire. Some 100 persons are still unaccounted for, but fifty of these are cash boys, of which the firm has no record. In all the company has 400 employes, but fifty of these are away on vacations. The loss to the company is estimated at \$300,000.

The dead thus far removed from the ruins: Michael Fitzgerald, Frank Leonard, Miss Anna E. Whitbeck, Miss Minnie Ballard, Miss Alice L. Sharp, unidentified woman.

Thirty-six employes of the company were injured, three seriously. Besides these, five shoppers were hurt.

ASPHALT COMPANY A LOSER.

Supreme Court of Venezuela Rules That Hamilton Concession is Void. Oyster Bay, N. Y., Aug. 8.—President Roosevelt has been informed through the state department that the federal court of Venezuela has rendered a decision against the Bermudez Asphalt company in the case involving the so-called Hamilton concession, annulling the concession. What action may be taken by this government regarding the matter cannot be announced at this time. It is quite probable that nothing will be done until Secretary Root, who is now on a vacation in Labrador, shall have returned and considered the subject with the president in the light of the report which will be made by Judge Calhoun of his investigation of the entire asphalt matter.

Taft Reviews Big Parade.

Manila, Aug. 7.—A large spectacular parade was held this morning in honor of the visit of Secretary of War Taft and party. Ten thousand men were in line, including military, marines, sailors, industrialists and thirty provincial delegations. There were fifty floats and eighty bands in line. The parade was three hours passing the reviewing stand. Secretary Taft, Governor General Wright, General Corbin, Rear Admiral Train and Miss

Alice Roosevelt and the resident foreign representatives were in the reviewing stand.

Reunion of Spanish War Veterans.

Indianapolis, Aug. 8.—Captain William E. English, commander-in-chief of the United Spanish War Veterans' association, issued a general order for the second national encampment and reunion of the association to open at Milwaukee, Sept. 7. The Ladies' auxiliary is directed to meet at Milwaukee at the same time.

NEWS OF NEBRASKA.

Wheat Needle Lodged in His Throat.

Lincoln, Aug. 8.—Dr. Weidrand of Eustis, Neb., is dangerously ill in a Lincoln hospital and a delicate operation must be performed before he can recover. Dr. Weidrand was chewing a stalk of wheat. A sharp needle from the beard of the wheat became detached and lodged in his throat. Inflammation set in and the doctors are afraid to attempt to remove it.

Lowlands Are Flooded.

Indianola, Neb., Aug. 5.—Not for fifteen years has there been such high water in the streams of this county. Lowlands are flooded and grain in the shock has been badly damaged following a rainfall of five inches. A break in the Holland irrigation dam has also let loose a flood of water. The St. Francis branch of the Burlington railroad is again partly tied up as a result of washouts.

Lincoln Y. M. C. A. Burned.

Lincoln, Aug. 7.—The Lincoln Young Men's Christian association building, a two-story frame, erected a year ago at the corner of Thirteenth and P streets, was practically destroyed by fire shortly after midnight. Little of the contents was saved. The loss will exceed \$7,000, well insured. A young Japanese who slept in the building is missing and it is feared may have burned to death. The origin of the fire is unknown.

Christian Convention at Lincoln.

Lincoln, Aug. 3.—The annual convention of the Christian church is in session at Bethany park, east of Lincoln. The enrollment has reached 500. The meetings are held in a new tabernacle erected for the convenience of the gathering, which is an annual affair. Each evening evangelistic sermons are preached by Rev. J. H. O. Smith of Valparaiso, Ind. During the day there is singing by a large chorus, with lectures on various religious topics.

National Guardsmen in Camp.

Kearney, Aug. 9.—Real interest in Amasa Cobb camp began soon after the arrival of the several special trains, all the troops being now in. Work under general orders began this morning. On Saturday maneuvering for position will take place between the two regiments and some heavy skirmishing will take place at times, resulting in an engagement. There will be 60,000 rounds of ammunition used in the maneuver. On Monday Governor Mickey will be in camp and review the troops. Major Cecil of the United States regulars began his work of inspection.

OMAHA INDIANS START SUIT.

Action Begun Against Secretary of Interior and Other Federal Officials.

Pender, Neb., Aug. 4.—Hiram Chase, on behalf of the Omaha tribe of Indians, has brought suit to restrain the distribution of tribal funds, which is now in progress. The parties defendant are E. A. Hitchcock, secretary of the interior; Captain William H. Beck, disbursing officer, and John F. McKay, superintendent in charge of the reservation. The petition alleges that the funds of the Omaha Indians now in custody of the government are tribal funds and that under acts of congress setting them aside for the tribe, the tribe is recognized as a corporation having power to hold such money; that as a result of this action the money, the property of the tribe, cannot be distributed to the individual members of the tribe without the formal consent of the officers of the tribe regularly appointed to transact the business of the tribe or corporation. The bill prays for a temporary injunction restraining the defendants from continuing the payment pending a hearing of the issues in the case. It also asks in application for temporary injunction that the money (\$16,000) already issued by the disbursing agent be returned to the United States treasury pending order of the authorities of the tribe for its distribution. Answer day is Sept. 4, at which time the case will come up on argument for temporary injunction.

GRAIN TRUST IS CHARGED.

Attorney General Brown Files Application for Injunction at Lincoln. Lincoln, Aug. 3.—On the application of Attorney General Brown Judge J. B. Barnes of the supreme court issued an injunction against the officers and members of the grain trust, restraining them from monopolizing the grain trade of the state, accepting rebates from the railways or in any way

boycotting independent elevators; controlling prices, and providing for the forfeiture of charters of the corporations which have been in the grain dealers' association.

In the petition it is alleged that the members of the association control the elevators, which handle \$200,000,000 of grain annually, 90 per cent of the business, and that there are only ten independent elevators, giving a monopoly to the members of the trust. Conspiracy is charged against the association, whose officers were the active agents. The writ is made returnable Sept. 4, until which time the association will be unable to move for a stay because of the absence of the supreme judges.

Attorney General Brown says that the suit insures a free grain market for the farmers of the state for this season and that he has the evidence on which the injunction will be made permanent. It is regarded by the legal department as the most important and sweeping injunction suit ever instituted in Nebraska.

Hill Road Makes Progress.

Fremont, Neb., Aug. 7.—The Sioux City and Western railroad has succeeded in making settlements with a number of parties against whom condemnation proceedings have been begun. John Nau of Saunders county received \$6,000 damages. The new road passes through his farm buildings. The price paid for farming land will average over \$125 per acre, but as the damage to the other land is necessarily taken into consideration, the average paid is but little above the consideration of recent sales.

Nebraska Prohibits Name Ticket.

Lincoln, Aug. 9.—Nebraska Prohibitionists held their state convention here and nominated the following ticket: Associate Justice of the supreme court, F. B. Beall of Harlan county; regents of the university, Nathan Wilson of Polk county and H. T. Sutton of Nance county. The platform is brief. It declares constitutional and statutory prohibition the greatest issues in American politics. It declares moral and mental qualifications are the only questions to be considered in deciding the right of suffrage and concludes by declaring for the initiative and referendum.

NEBRASKA CROP CONDITIONS.

General Situation is Good, With Excellent Prospects for Corn.

Lincoln, Aug. 9.—Showers occurred in nearly all parts of the state. In the northern counties the rainfall was generally less than one-half inch. In the southern counties the rainfall was mostly above one inch, and heavy showers occurred, covering considerable areas where the rainfall ranged from two to more than five inches. Stacking and threshing from shock is about finished in southeastern counties, but this work has been delayed in southwestern counties by rain, and in a few places wheat and oats have been injured in the shock by the wet weather. Haying has progressed nicely. The harvest of oats and spring wheat has progressed rapidly in northern counties and both crops are somewhat damaged by rust. Corn has grown well. In central and southern counties, with ample moisture, corn is not in quite as good condition. Fall

DISOBEYS MOTHER; SAVES LIFE.

Six Year Old Girl Rescues Lineman From Peril.

Omaha, Aug. 9.—While playing on the roof of a hotel building, contrary to her mother's instructions, six-year-old Mamie Wilson saved the life of Harvey Donald, a lineman working on a swinging scaffold, six stories above the street.

Donald, hearing the child's footsteps on the gravel roof, looked up and in doing so discovered that the iron hook which connected his swing with the pulley block had slipped almost out of the ring.

A puff of wind to sway the rope the fraction of an inch meant death. Afraid to move, Donald waited until he again heard the child's footsteps, and after several attempts succeeded in attracting her attention to his peril. Acting under his instructions, the little girl got a broomhandle and struck the hook, driving it back into the anchor ring.

Japs and White Men Clash.

Blaine, Wash., Aug. 8.—A riot between the Japanese and white men on the streets of Blaine resulted in the serious injury of one white man and at least four Japanese. The trouble grew out of a fight between an American and an Oriental at one of the canneries. The Japanese stabbed his antagonist. On being arrested and taken to prison by the marshal a crowd followed and members of the two races clashed.

Ziegler Relief Report.

Baltimore, Aug. 8.—The Baltimore News received the following cablegram from Dr. Oliver L. Fassig of the Ziegler relief expedition, dated Shannon Island, Aug. 7: "No members of Ziegler expedition Shannon Island, July 21. Much ice North Atlantic. Reach New York 20th."

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